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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Dear Fellow Members - this month I will continue to show the duties of the elected officials of your organization. Last month I stopped with the duties of the treasurer. This month I will conclude this particular endeavor by listing the duties of the district governors.

The District Governors shall:

1. meet as part of the Governing Board at all regular and officially called meetings

2. act as membership chairmen in their respective districts

3. visit clubs in their district, when possible, to encourage membership in TNA and to promote numismatics in general and TNA in particular

4. encourage member clubs to appoint club representatives

5. attend and encourage club representatives to attend the governors' and representatives' annual convention meeting

6. perform such duties attendant to the governors' election as hereinafter set forth

7. act as liaison between clubs and his district and between his district and TNA

It is hoped that outlining the duties of the official TNA Family will serve the purpose of letting each member know who is responsible for which aspect of the association's activities.

It is now time to finalize your plans to attend the 28th convention in Fort Worth. All reports indicate that this will be a truly outstanding convention.

Please show an interest in your organization by attending the meeting of the governing board and the general membership meeting. Consult your convention program for times and places. I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

Also, don't forget to sign up new members. If you need applications your secretary will be glad to send you some.

SEE YOU AT THE CONVENTION!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, TEXAS!

A SESQUICENTENNIAL SALUTE TO THE COIN THAT HONORS CABEZA DE VACA'S EXPEDITION TO TEXAS

Frank Galindo, San Antonio, Texas

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In this our sesquicentennial year, it is timely to reflect on coinage honoring our Texas history. What could be more appropriate than a commemorative coin that features a map of Texas? This coin is the Old Spanish Trail half dollar of 1935. The coin has dots representing three Texas cities: Galveston, San Antonio, and El Paso. This coin commemorates the 400th anniversary of the first overland trek by Cabeza de Vaca's expedition through the Gulf Coast states in 1535. Cabeza de Vaca was the first white man to see some parts of the southwest, including Texas, before reaching the safety of a Spanish settlement.

Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca was a Spanish official and explorer born to a distinguished family in Jerez de la Frontera. The exact date is not known, but sources indicate it was probably in 1490. In 1527, after serving 15 years of European service in the Spanish army, he was appointed as the royal treasurer of an expedition being organized by Panfilo de Narvaez to explore and colonize Florida. The expedition under the command of de Narvaez was destined to fail. Narvaez set sail with five caravels and some 600 men on June 15, 1527 from San Lucar, Spain. The journey was perilous and the Spaniards encountered numerous storms and shipwrecks.

Finally, land was sighted; they had reached Florida in April of the following year. Narvaez, against the advice of Cabeza de Vaca, sent ships along the shore to find the Old Bay of Tampa. The men and 40 horses traveled along the shores day after day. The ships disappeared and were never seen again. The Indians attacked and killed some of the conquistadores, and others were overtaken by malaria.

Food was scarce, so the Spaniards killed their horses. In desperation, they fashioned five boats using every available resource. They hoped to reach the far-off Panuco River where the Spanish had established settlements.

Cabeza de Vaca tells us that the five boats were "thirty-three feet long, calked with fiber of the pal-

metto, and pitched with resin made from pine trees by a member of the company who was a Greek. Nails we took from our horses' shoes; from the manes and tails we fashioned ropes and rigging; from our shirts, sails; and from the junipers growing there we made oars. We then flayed the horses, taking the skins from their legs entire, and tanning them to make canteens for our water supply."

Finally, when the boats were finished, 40 men had died from disease and ten had been slain. The remaining 247 Spaniards were now ready to embark on their perilous journey across the treacherous water. The small boats crept along close to the shore. Some of the men died in the boats as they sailed along, while others were killed by the Indians when they went ashore in search of food When the explorers reached the mouth of the Mississippi River the vessels became separated.

On November 6, 1528, three of the small boats were wrecked on Galveston Island. A fourth boat was wrecked on the Texas coast toward the west. Narvaez, in the fifth frail craft, was swept by a sudden wind into the sea and never heard of again. The survivors on Galveston Island were near starvation and many of them were ill. By now they were only living skeletons. In his book, Cabeza de Vaca described those who survived as "the perfect figures of death." Tired, cold, and hungry, they searched for food. They found some corn grains, wild onions and an Indian dog. This provided a nourishing stew for them to eat.

After their meal, they set to work to rebuild the crude boat. The sea was their only hope. The wind was cold and the surf was high. When the craft was ready, they piled their coats of mail, helmets, boots, and all other clothes on the raft. The naked men rushed into the icy water with their craft. A roaring wall of water crushed the raft, killing two men. Their meager possessions were lost to the sea forever. The shivering bodies were cast back upon the sands. In their camp, there were embers still left where the fires had been. Cabeza de Vaca, using the embers, started a fire for the desolate men to warm themselves.

At dusk the Indians came from the mainland in canoes. They found the white men weeping beside their camp fires. Cabeza de Vaca wrote, the Indians "at the sight of what had befallen us, and our state of suffering and melancholy destitution . . . began to lament so earnestly that they might have been heard at a distance and continued doing so more than half an hour." The Indians sat and wept with the white men on that somber autumn day. When the ceremony of sorrow had concluded, the Indians took Cabeza de Vaca and his men to the village. They were provided shelter and were fed roasted fish and roots.

The Spaniards were now captives and would begin about six long years of servitude. The men remained naked and were often beaten like slaves. They spent their time

grinding pecans, digging for roots in icy water and in the winter gathering shellfish on the coast, always cold, and hungry. During the harsh winter, many of the explorers died, food was scarce, and it was too cold to dig for roots. Finally, spring came and with it an epidemic which killed half the Indians and many of the Spaniards, too.

The Indians believed the Spaniards had some divine power and later appointed Cabeza de Vaca their medicine man. Reluctantly Cabeza agreed to the Indians' demand that he heal the sick. Cabeza had studied the Indian medicine men's techniques and so when he began his healing of the sick, he used their methods adding prayer to his healing. Cabeza's method was to bless the sick and while breathing upon them, recite a Paternoster and an Ave Maria, praying with earnestness to God. He would conclude his healing by making the sign of the cross over them.

By 1534 there were only three white men left and the Moor, Stephen. That same year late in autumn the four survivors planned their escape from the Indians. Thus, this began their long epic journey across the savage and hostile land. Cabeza chose a route he hoped would lead toward the Spanish settlements. They were lost constantly and in danger of capture by Indians. Yet, they continued despite the danger on their route. This was a journey that covered a great part of Texas.

In 1536 Cabeza de Vaca and his three companions were able to reach Culiacun, the northern outpost of Spanish power on the Gulf of California. Here they were met by Spanish soldiers who cared for them. Cabeza reported the story that Indians had told him of great wealth in the Seven Golden Cities of Cibola. This story spread like wildfire around the globe. The promise of fame and fortune brought Coronado through El Paso del Norte in 1540. Many explorers followed. De Soto died in Mississippi, but still, many others came. Needless to say, the Seven Golden Cities were never found.

The conquistadores began this incredible journey in the autumn of 1534 and traveled 2,000 weary miles reaching Culiacun in March 1536. Soon afterwards, Cabeza returned to Spain and published his book **Relacion** in 1542. He provides valuable information with the first book written about Texas. It is a most interesting account of his adventures in Texas.

The customs and culture of the Indians are described as they were before the white men arrived. His expedition began in April 1528, at St. Augustine, Florida, traveling west through the Gulf states and ending in 1535 in what now is El Paso, Texas. This closes a chapter in Cabeza de Vaca's exploration in Texas, but not the end of his adventures. In 1541-42 Cabeza led an expedition through the Rio de la Plata region of South America. He traveled 1000 miles through the South of Brazil to the city of Asuncion, Paraguay. But

that's another story.

On June 5, 1935, Congress authorized the striking of 10,008 commemorative half dollars to be struck at the Philadephia Mint. These coins are known as the Old Spanish Trail half dollars. The obverse of the coin shows a short-horned steer. Literally translated, the explorer's name means "head of a cow;" therefore, this device was chosen by the designer L.W. Hoffecker. The reverse bears a Yucca tree and a map showing the Old Spanish Trail. The map includes Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas The Trail is represented by a line which begins in Florida and ends in Texas. The dots along the line identify the following cities: St. Augustine, Tallahassie, Jacksonville, Mobile, New Orleans, Galveston, San Antonio and El Paso.

The designer L.W. Hoffecker was a well known coin collector and served as president of the American Numismatic Association from 1939 to 1941. He was a member of the Texas Memorial Committee which was the issuing authority for this coin. The El Paso Museum Committee, of which Hoffecker was chairman, distributed the half dollars at two dollars per coin.

Today we have a commemorative coin that serves to remind us of Cabeza de Vaca's courage and determination to survive this dangerous and historic journey. Thanks to Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca, historians have documentation of the early years and life in Texas, and numismatists have a commemorative coin to collect and enjoy.

LACEWELL OFF TO OHIO!

Robert M. Lacewell, TNA youth chairman and a senior at the University of Texas in San Antonio, was selected as the first participant in Coin World's Margo Russell Journalism Internship program.

The internship program - named in honor of Coin World's former editor Margo Russell - is designed to give an aspiring young journalist an opportunity to work with the editorial staff of the largest weekly numismatic publication in order to gain practical experience in news gathering and writing.

Lacewell, active in TNA and the Gateway Coin Club of San Antonio, will leave for Sidney, Ohio May 23 to begin the 10-week internship. He will return in August in time to register for senior courses at UTSA.

CONGRATULATIONS, ROBERT!

MORRISON

A long time collector and TNA member, Lucille Morrison of Austin, died March 30 after a long illness.

Mrs. Morrison, 77, was active in the Austin Coin Club, TNA and was a collector of antiques.

Survivors are her husband E.T. Morrison, three daughters and five sons. Services were held April 1 in Wharton.

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The following article Six Flags Over Texas, last in a series by Bob Medlar, appeared in the July 1968 issue of TNA NEWS. The series is being reprinted as an appropriate addition to TNA's participation in the 1986 Texas Sesquicentennial celebration. — Editor.

SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS

and their coinage — Conclusion

R.E. (Bob) Medlar,
San Antonio, Texas

Treasury warrants outstanding at the close of the Confederate war amounted to $2,068,997.90, about $180,000.00 of which were 10 per cent interest warrants. In 1863 and 1864, these had a value in specie of 8 to 10 per cent on the dollar. There was at all times sufficient Confederate notes in the state treasury to redeem these notes but the holders held them back in hopes of receiving something better in payment.

These Treasury warrants supported the state government operations and were used in most large transactions, however, as always, disappeared into the strong boxes and sugar bowls of the hoarders. To fill this void, cities, counties, merchants and a railroad or two jumped to issue paper money in denominations ranging from 5¢ to $3.00 with a few even up to $100.00.

In late 1861 a few counties issued interest bearing bonds the wording of which was close to the language that permitted their being classed legal tender. A rash of actual notes started off in April 1862 and by late summer most counties, several cities and many private firms issued currency or "good fors." The avalanche grew to such extremes that we now have notes redeemable by the improbable names of "The First and Last Chance Saloon," "Mr. I.M. Lucky," "Orleans Bar Room" and "Sour Lake Volcanic Spring Co." The chaos and difficulties occasioned by hundreds of different issuing firms can be imagined. A few continued into 1864 but then generally fell into disuse. The latest found are the City of Houston issues of June 29, 1865 and the Marion County issues of December 1, 1869, both

after the end of the war.

Not all counties issued notes. In 1861 there were, according to the almanacs of the period, 125 counties organized in Texas. In 1865 there were only 93 counties. Texas was the frontier at the start of the war and with the removal of rangers and security troops from the western frontiers the fortifications were withdrawn. The frontier settlers pulled back and the Indians again took over these counties until the cessation of hostilities brought back the settlers and menfold in ever-increasing numbers in 1865 and 1866.

With the profusion of issues from cities, counties and private firms, plus those of the state and the Confederacy at Richmond, and of all those of the other states, it is easy to see why the inflationary spiral climbed swiftly and again, as in the Republic era of 20 years before, the system of bartering and exchange of basic commodities became the rule of the land.

The following table shows the relative value of CSA currency as related to the gold dollars on the dates shown:

Sept. 1861	At Par
April 1862	$ 2.00
Sept. 1862	$ 4.00
March 1863	$ 5.00
Sept. 1863	$10.00
March 1864	$21.00
July 1864	$31.00

On June 8, 1865, the cash balance in the state treasury was $2,908,-038.34 in Confederate notes; $445,-074.37 in treasury warrants; and $15,397.36 in specie. In addition, there were $129,975.00 in U.S. bonds held over from the prewar days. These and the specie were the only amounts of value on hand when the records ended on June 8, 1865. On this date the pen which traced the ledgers abruptly stopped. The coup-de-grace occured three days later when the treasury was broken into and looted. There was little of value and the actual loss was less than $5,000.00.

On October 13, 1865, after a gap of blank pages, the records were resumed in a new handwriting and under a new government, mute witness to the close of another era in Texas' turbulent financial history.

The founders of modern Texas were so completely distrustful of banks, depreciated money, wildcat notes and shin plasters that in 1845, they wrote into the new state constitution a clause prohibiting the establishment of banks and the issue of any paper money. Gold and silver were to be the only acceptable media of exchange in the new state of Texas. However, gold and silver coins were very scarce and the growing agricultural and industrial economy required financing. In this fiscal and also numismatic void the use of promissory notes became widespread.

They were accepted and discounted by merchants and usually ended up in the hands of some one merchant in each town who made a practice of accepting them at a discounted rate or on commission and forwarding them to the maker for payment. Accepting and forwarding for others and lending money to cus-

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Working For The Hobby

Chet Krause

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GREENBELT HONORS HILDERBRAND

Raymond E. Whyborn,
Seymour, Texas

Over the years, the members of the Greenbelt Coin Club of Vernon, Texas have maintained a well-rounded numismatic display at the Vernon Museum. The exhibit is made up entirely of specimens belonging to individual club members and is ever changing as the club's membership changes. Maintenance of the exhibit is an on-going project and is only one of the public service activities in which the club members actively participate.

At a recent club meeting, Worth Coffee, longtime member of Greenbelt, made a special presentation to the club on behalf of a former member's widow. Coffee refreshed memories by relating stories of former club member Barton Hilderbrand. He was a rather flamboyant airplane pilot who was noted for his aerobatic skill and ability. During one of his many flights things went awry. His airplane's wing hooked a pylon, so the story goes, and crashed in a terrible ball of fire. Although badly burned and disfigured. His recuperation was very long and extremely painful.

During that traumatic period he became interested in coins and joined the Greenbelt club. His interest, like many other collectors in the Texoma area, was primarily in U.S. coins. Over the years he made the transition from collector to numismatist and put together a very respectable collection of which he was justifiably proud. Unfortunately, this former pilot became a victim of cancer and passed away recently.

Mrs. Hilderbrand had requested that the club accept her gift of her husband's Benjamin Franklin-Liberty Bell half dollar set. The set is complete from 1948 through 1963 with all mints and is housed in a custom designed plastic holder. She requested only that it be appropriately titled and labeled to enhance its display potential.

The club has gratefully accepted the gift and is preparing it for display in the museum as soon as possible and preferably before the Teagarten reunion in Vernon. Jack Teagarten was a band leader during the "Big Band" era in the 1940s and resides in Vernon. Each year the Teagarten reunion is responsible for many visitors to the Wilbarger County area and particularly to the museum where memorabilia of Teagarten's band is housed.

junior readin' roundup

Texas Numismatic Association

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As the last two articles have offered tips on grading and preserving coins, this article will offer a few recommendations on dealing with coin dealers.

Most rare coin purchases are handled through the mail, therefore it is important to order from a reputable dealer. Usually, your best bet is a dealer who is a member of the ANA or PNG. These organizations hold their members accountable for their dealings, and can intervene when a complaint is lodged by a collector. Member dealers display the ANA or PNG symbols (or both) in their ads to let you know they are dealers in good standing with these organizations.

Once you have chosen a reputable dealer, you must make sure each transaction is trouble-free. Make sure the dealer offers a return privilege that allows sufficient time to view the coin and return it if necessary. The usual return privilege is anywhere from seven to 30 days. It is important to read the terms of purchase in the ad and to follow these rules.

Make sure you receive an invoice from the dealer that describes the denomination, date, mint mark and a cross-reference number that corresponds to the number on the coin holder. The invoice serves as a contract and a receipt, and proves that you received a particular coin. Also, make sure the grade of the coin matches the invoice grade. Remember, mistakes in packing and shipping do occur. If you accept the coin be sure to keep the invoice for your coin inventory records as your proof of purchase. This proof could be important if the coin is sold or stolen. Above all, if you are not satisfied with the coin for any reason do not hesitate to send it back. Too many collectors purchase coins and set them aside when they are received, only to find out later that the coin is not to their liking. By this time it may be too late to return the coin for a refund.

Areas for beginners to stay away from in purchasing coins include toned coins. Many collectors are attracted to the beautiful colors that some toned coins display. The problem here is deciding whether the toning is natural or artificial. Only very experienced collectors and dealers can tell the difference. Also, some toning may cover areas of wear or other imperfections. The inexper-

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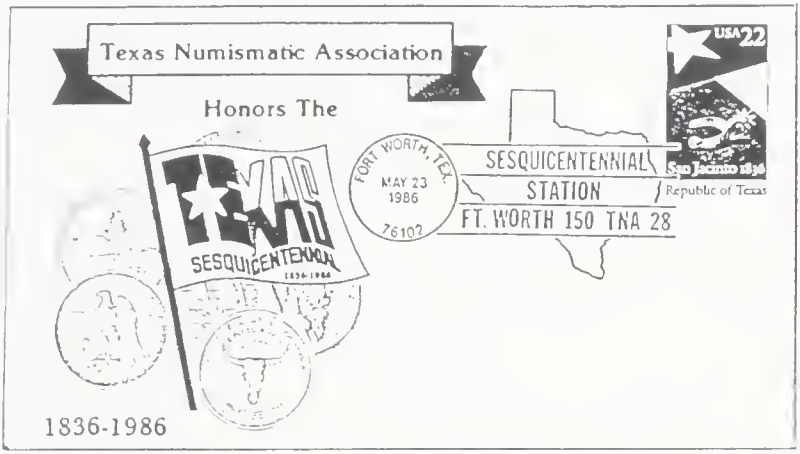

A preview of the red, white and blue cachet available at the TNA convention in Ft. Worth. Frank Galindo of San Antonio was the designer. (Drawing is reduced from actual size and post mark superimposed.) Cachets will sell for $1.50 each or 3 for $4.00)

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MAY 31-JUNE 1

CAPITOL CITY COIN CLUB, 14th annual coin show, Quality Inn South, Austin. **CONTACT:** Club, Box 33159, Austin 78764.

MAY 31-JUNE 1

VICTORIA NUMISMATIC CLUB, Annual Show. Details later.

JUNE 7-8

GARLAND COIN CLUB, annual show, Holiday Inn, 13700 LBJ Freeway & Centervile Rd. **BOURSE:** Billy D. Gilbreath, Box 461303, Garland 75046.

JUNE 28-29

GREATER ORANGE COIN CLUB, annual show, Knights of Columbus, IH-10. **BOURSE:** Dewey Scott & Jerry Williams, Box 1871, Orange 77630.

JULY 11-13

NORTHLINE COIN SHOW, Airport Hilton Inn, 500 North Belt East, Houston. **WRITE:** Milton Dove, Box 92146, Houston 77206.

JULY 12-13

NORMAN COIN & STAMP CLUB, 5th annual show, Sheraton Hotel, Norman, OK. **WRITE:** Newton Mitchell, 218 E. Main, Norman, OK 73069, 405/360-2515.

JULY 20

DALWORTH COIN & STAMP CLUB, show, Rodeway Inn at Six Flags. **CONTACT:** Joe Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft. Worth 76118.

AUGUST 2-3

BELLAIRE COIN CLUB, annual show, Bellaire Community Center, 7000 S. Rice Ave. **BOURSE:** Charles Brundle, Box 303, Bellaire 77401.

AUGUST 2-3

SHREVEPORT COIN CLUB, ARK-LA-TEX Coin Exposition, Convention Center, 500 Clyde Fant Parkway, Shreveport, La. **WRITE:** Club, Box 492, Shreveport, La. 71162.

AUGUST 29-31

DALLAS COIN CLUB, annual coin show, Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, Dallas. **CONTACT:** Ron Blaha, Box 7673, Dallas 75209.

SEPTEMBER 6-7

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB, 26th annual show, Sheraton Hotel Ballroom. **BOURSE:** Fred Clark, 115 S. Chadbourne, San Angelo 76901, 915/653-4731.

SEPTEMBER 13-14

ROSE CITY COIN CLUB, annual coin show, Harvey Hall Convention Center, Tyler. **BOURSE:** Horace Cook, Rt. 1 Box 245, Tyler 75708, 214 592-3607.

SEPTEMBER 14

BEEVILLE COIN CLUB, 19th annual coin show, Student Center, Bee County College, US-181 & Charco Rd. **WRITE:** Club, Box 209, Beeville 78104.

SEPTEMBER 20-21

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB, coin show, Beaumont Hilton, 2355 IH-10 South. **BOURSE:** Jerry Williams, 2645 North St., Beaumont 77702.

SEPTEMBER 27-28

AUSTIN COIN CLUB, Quality Inn South. **WRITE:** Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767.

OCTOBER 25-26

LAFAYETTE COIN CLUB, "Cajun Coinival" Municipal Auditorium, S. College Rd., Lafayette, La. **BOURSE:** Mike Mouret, 1405 Moss St., Lafayette, La. 70501, 318/232-2573.

FUTURE TNA CONVENTIONS

1987 - March 27-29, TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION, San Antonio.

1988 - April 22-24, TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION, Houston.

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tomers lead to a limited banking function for post-bellum era.

Thus ends the story of the "Six Flags Over Texas and Their Coinage" (and currency). We can look backward with our 20/20 vision and see the mistakes made, the lost and unrecognized opportunities, the daring and imaginative efforts of our forefathers, all through the small metallic tokens or flimsy and fragile slips of paper we numismatists now hold in our hands.

The few stories told here are not all the tales. Left unexplored are the printers who printed the various notes during the CSA: the signers of the governmental issues of both periods; an in-depth study of the bonds and land scrip; the "hammered dollars," "Henderson Scrip;" the fiscal activities of the Texas agents in New Orleans; the Depression Scrip of the 1930s, etc., etc. No new fields? I submit that the unstudied field in numismatics lie in the obsolete currency areas. Try this - ask a question or two - then try to discover the answers. The search is most rewarding.

IS YOUR CLUB PLANNING A COIN SHOW IN 1986? ANNOUNCE THE EVENT IN TNA NEWS!

from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Eleanor Kennady
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WELCOME to new members 4816-4823, and Seymour Coin Club. If approved the following will become members June 1, 1986.

4824 (D-1) Frankie L. Ross, Rt. 2 Box 14, Hico, TX. 76457. Morris Johnson.

J-4825 (D-7) Miss Vanessa R. Tate, 3642 Tuscany, San Antonio, TX. 78219. Woods. Frank & Karla Galindo.

4826 A.E. Johnbrier, P.O. Box 913, Bowie, MD. 20715. Paul & Gloria Garner.

4827 (D-7) Ernesto Martinez, 88 Briggs Ave. #285, San Antonio, TX. 78224. Mac Kennady.

4828 (D-6) James N. Robinson, 5358 Marion, Katy, TX. 77999. Everything. Chris Johns.

4829 (D-6) Phil A. Ziegler, 62[illegible] A. Westcott, Houston, TX. 77007. Dealer. J.O. Ballinger.

4830 (D-5) James (Bill) Millard, 615 Katherine Ct., Duncanville, TX. 75137. Tokens-National Currency. Paul & Gloria Garner.

4831 Donald A. Lee, 2536 Ocean Ave., San Francisco, CA. 94132. Paul & Gloria Garner.

4832 (D-5) R. Moffatt Kennedy, 1917 San Antonio Dr., Garland, TX. 75042. Paul & Gloria Garner.

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4835 (D-4) Fred L. Ferguson, 3128 Daughtrey, Waco, TX. 76711. Gerry Kammer & Dalton Adams.

4836 (D-4) Richard N. Harlan, 214 Faye, Waco, TX. 76705. Gerry Kammer & Dalton Adams.

4837 (D-4) Tommy Vick, Rt 1, Meridian, TX. 76665. Gerry Kammer & Dalton Adams.

4838 (D-6) Howard F. Smith, 3721 Overbrook Lane, Houston, TX. 77027. U.S. Coins. Chris Johns.

VIP AWARD

District 5 Govenor Paul Garner & Gloria - Dallas, Texas.

Members please send applications as soon as possible so they can be processed promptly. Thank you.

from the treasurer

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Numismatic Investment of Florida Auction, Inc. for 1986 Auction in Fort Worth	2,500.00	5,653.40
		9,051.68
DISBURSEMENTS:		
TNA Secretary - February Allowance	200.00	
Petty Cash	95.00	
TNA NEWS Editor - March Allowance	200.00	
Postage	22.00	
River Oaks Printing	1,259.20	
Texas Sesquicentennial Expenses	208.94	1,985.14
		7,066.54
Balance on hand as of Mar. 31, 1986		7,066.54*

NOTE: The following funds cannot be used for anything except the purpose for which they are encumbered. The balance above includes these funds except as noted below.

TNA Flower Fund as of Mar. 31, 1986	45.93*	
Texas Sesquicentennial Fund as of Mar. 31, 1986	568.94*	
TNA Memorial Library Fund as of Mar. 31, 1986	100.93*	
TNA NEWS Certificate of Deposit as of Mar. 31, 1986	6,316.27	
Certificate of Deposit as of Mar. 31, 1986	2,669.04	
Life Membership Savings Account as of Mar. 31, 1986	5,694.81	14,680.12
		21,746.66
TOTAL ASSETS		21,746.66

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Howard W. Luke,
General Chairman

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MAY 23, 24, 25, 1986

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, MAY 22

12 Noon ..... Security Begins
12 Noon - 9:00 p.m. ..... Dealers & Exhibitors Set Up

FRIDAY, MAY 23

8:00 a.m. ..... Registration
Bourse & Exhibits Open - Dealers & Exhibitors Only
Texas Coin Dealers Assn. Meeting (Unofficial Function)
9:00 a.m. ..... Opening Ceremony
Bourse & Exhibits Open to Public
Viewing of Auction Lots Until 6 p.m.
12 Noon ..... ANA's Seminar on Coin Grading, Rm. 243 TCCC
6:00 p.m. ..... Bourse & Exhibits Close

SATURDAY, MAY 24

8:00 a.m. ..... Governors & Club Representatives Breakfast
Hilton Hotel, Astor-Barclay Columbus Rm. (Advance Reservations)
Bourse & Exhibits Open to Dealers & Exhibitors Only
9:00 a.m. ..... Registration
Bourse & Exhibits Open to Public
Auction Viewing Until 6 p.m.
10:00 a.m. ..... TNA Board Meeting, Hilton Hotel,
Astor-Barclay Columbus Rm.
Tour (Information & Reservations at Registration Desk)
12 Noon ..... ANA's Seminar on Coin Grading Rm. 243 TCCC
2:00 p.m. ..... Educational Forum Rm. 243 TCCC
6:00 p.m. ..... Auction Rm. 262 TCCC Mini Theater
Bourse & Exhibits Close

SUNDAY, MAY 25

8:00 a.m. ..... Awards' Breakfast, Hilton Hotel,
Astor-Barclay Columbus Rm. (Advance Reservations)
Bourse Open - Dealers Only
9:00 a.m. ..... Registration, Bourse & Exhibits Open to Public
10:00 a.m. ..... TNA Annual General Meeting
Astor-Barclay Columbus Rm., Hilton Hotel
All members urged to attend
12 Noon ..... ANA's Seminar - Authenticating Coins Rm. 243 TCCC
1:00 p.m. ..... Omni Theater (Advance Reservations)
6:00 p.m. ..... Registration, Bourse & Exhibits Close

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TNA ISSUES TWO MEDALS HONORING TEXAS' 150TH

Two extra special medals were issued by the Texas Numismatic Association in saluting the Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial.

In 1985, silver and bronze medals were struck with a design featuring the Alamo in San Antonio often referred to as the "Cradle of Liberty." This year appropriately, the silver and bronze carry the Sesquicentennial logo as the main device in the design. It also shows the head of a Longhorn steer so native to Texas. Both medals were designed by Frank Galindo of San Antonio.

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Larry Bettis #16
Bryan Stegar #27
Jackie Armstrong #29
Louis Gonzales #42
Jim Weisbaum #45
Neil Nichols #54
C.J. Rabe #59
Butch Stephens #68
Lloyd Colvin #109
Ed Young #117
Kenneth Hilliard #121
Oscar Palmer #128
Saul Gonzales #134
George Nowak #159
Lancelot Achille #164
Norm White #173

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THIS IS IT!

The last chance to enter an exhibit in the competition at the TNA convention in Fort Worth May 23, 24, 25 is here.

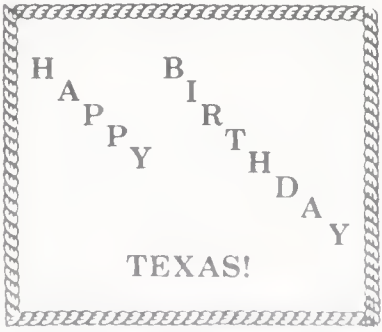
To compete in any of the 10 categories and the special Sesquicentennial section, you must notify the TNA exhibit chairman **NOW.** He is Charles Cox, 4812 Glade, Ft. Worth 76114. Specify which section - regular or Sesquicentennial.

In addition to 1st, 2nd, 3rd place awards, special honors given include the Robert E. Medlar currency award, the Joe B. Davis Mexico coin award and the Richard Schweers award for best in ancient coins. There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards and a junior award given in the Sesquicentennial category. Don't fail to get in touch with chairman Cox.

AUCTION TIME!

Circle 6 p.m. Saturday, May 24, on your '86 TNA convention schedule and take in the auction of U.S and world coins at Tarrant County Convention Center in Fort Worth. Numismatics Auctions of Florida, Inc. is conducting the 1986 TNA auction.

Viewing of auction lots will be 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Friday, and Saturday from 9 a.m. until auction time. The sale will be in Room 262 at the convention center.



TEXAS District Meetings

PLEASE NOTE: If your club activities are not listed that means (1) The report was not received by the 1st of the month deadline or (2) The TNA Club representative, reporter or secretary did not send it to the **TNA NEWS** editor.

DISTRICT I —

Morris Johnson
Governor

Morris Johnson, TNA Dist. 1 governor, reported on planned activities to take place at the TNA convention on May 23, 24, 25 at the Stephenville Coin Club meeting. Members voted to participate in a parade on April 21 and to assemble an exhibit for the TNA convention.

The TNA traveling exhibit "Coins & Currency in Texas History" was at Interfirst Bank on display. Mario Johnson was in charge of arrangements.

An auction was held at both March meetings. - **Lorene Randals, Sec.**

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DISTRICT IV —

Dr. Robert Greenwood
Governor

J.P. Jones gave a brief history on the Texas Centennial commemorative half dollar at the meeting of **Waco Coin Club.** One of the members who had received his 3-coin Statue of Liberty proof set displayed it for other members and Jerry Kammer had several of the 1986 Canadian Vancouver proof silver dollars.

Last minute show plans were reviewed. The show was held March 22-23 and 50 dealers had sent in applications. An auction concluded the meeting. - **J.P. Jones, Reporter.**

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DISTRICT V —

Paul Garner
Governor

The problems and possible rearrangements within the ANA were discussed by C.C. Andrews at the **Garland Coin Club** meeting. Andrews promised to keep members up to date on the subject.

An auction was conducted by Barney Welch and the door prize was won by Billy Gilbreath. Anyone wishing to present a program at any of the meetings was asked to contact Randy Borland. - **Danny L. Hollen, Sec.**

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C.C. Andrews spoke on "Ships on Coins II" at the **Dallas Coin Club** meeting and showed slides on a part of his collection which contains coins from 136 countries. The oldest is from the Roman Empire dated 105 B.C. and the latest one is the Statue of Liberty one dollar coin featuring a passenger freighter in the design.

Andrews reviewed a 1/8th real piece from Patzquaro, Mexico minted between 1840 and 1850, a 2 lb. piece of 1985 showing the Balliwich of Jersey, the 1929 Hindenberg air ship coin and others.

Tim Lee was appointed to serve as the club's ANA representative. - **Tom Ragsdale, Sec.**

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DISTRICT VI —

Chris Johns
Governor

Dates selected by **Bellaire Coin Club** for the annual coin show are August 2-3 at the Bellaire Community Center, 7000 S. Rice Ave. Bourse chairman is Charles Brundle, Box 303, Bellaire 77401.

Nominations for new officers to serve **Pasadena Coin Club** have been proposed by the nominating committee composed of Tom Windsheimer, Bill Pecelunas and Vaughn Radcliff. Named are Chris Johns, president and Pecelunas, vice president. A secretary and treasurer will be selected later.

Don Nelson is a new club member. - **Club Bulletin.**

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New officers for **Greater Houston Coin Club** are Ray Aldrete, president; Carl Fogarty, vice president; Mike Levinson, treasurer; Melvin L. Neal, secretary/editor; and Chris Johns and Ralph Ross, board members. Gerald Kendall, as immediate past president, also serves on the board. Officers were installed at the annual banquet on March 22 at Las Alamdeas.

Joel H. Dunlap, guest speaker, gave a program on crime prevention and others giving short programs were Chris Johns, Carl Fogarty and L.D. Rutherford.

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DISTRICT VII

Frank Galindo
Governor

Bob Medlar spoke to members of **Alamo Coin Club** of San Antonio at the March 27 meeting held at Grady's Barbeque. He talked on Texas Republic paper money and answered numerous questions posed to him about his collecting interests.

At the March 13 meeting, an ANA slide program on Numismatic Fine Art Photography was shown. Utilizing photographs from Gerald Hoberman's "The Art of Coins and Their Photography," the program traced coinage art from ancient to modern times, depicting the magnificence of coinage design through history. - **Club Bulletin.**

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It was announced in The Gatepost, **Gateway Coin Club's** monthly newsletter, that Mike Greenspan, editor for two years, had resigned. The club thanked Mike for his dedication to the club and for the enjoyable and informative bulletin.

Programs for the March meetings included a presentation by Robin Ellis on autographed currency. He talked about and displayed currency autographed by U.S. Treasurers and Secretaries of the Treasury going back about 30 years. Freeman Craig presented the second part of a series Five Centuries of English Shillings, 1485-1970, the House of Stuart 1603-1714 and included the Commonwealth period, 1649-1660.

Members finalized plans for April 12-13 coin show at San Antonio Sheraton Inn and discussed securing the TNA traveling exhibit for the show. The week prior to the show, the exhibit was to be on display at Jefferson State Bank in San Antonio. - **Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT VIII –

Joe B. Davis
Governor

Stamp collecting was discussed by Jim Stever at one of the **Corpus Christi Coin Club** meetings. Stever is president of the Corpus Christi Stamp Club.

It was reported that coin show plans were progressing and it was predicted that the April 18-19 event would be another success. Honorable Mayor Luther Jones was to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony and also proclaim April 20-27 as Corpus Christi Coin Week.

At another meeting, Sammy Bassous showed a film on counterfeiting after which he presented it to the club library. - **Club Bulletin.**

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Members of **Beeville Coin Club** announced the hosting of their 19th annual coin show on September 14. The show will be held in the Student Center, Bee County College, US-181 & Charco Rd.

For information on bourse tables, write the club, Box 209, Beeville 78104. - **Lucille H. Brown, Sec.**

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DISTRICT IX —

E. L. Pitzer
Governor

A coin show sponsored by **South Plains Coin Club** was held March 22-23 at the Ko-Ko Palace with 35 dealers present. Reports indicate "business was brisk" and public attendance was good. Nearly all of the visitors viewed the TNA traveling exhibit entitled "Coins & Currency in Texas History."

Twenty seven attended the regular meeting when it was voted to purchase a coin trivia game and present a short quiz at a future meeting. Jim Hall and D.O. Joplin conducted the auction and Norris Rumsey won the door prize.

An ANA slide set on Grading of Liberty Seated Quarters, Barber & Walking Liberty Halves was shown by Glen Knight. **E.L. Pitzer, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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How to increase attendance was the major topic discussed by members of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield. Each member agreed to bring a guest to the next meeting and to publicize meeting time and place to friends and fellow collectors.

Don Havern won the door prize. Refreshments were served. - **E.L. Pitzer, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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DISTRICT X -

Walt Woelper
Governor

Recipients of exhibit awards at the recent El Paso **International Coin Club** show were John Grost, Willie Terrazas and Maurice Starck. First place for Young Numismatists went to Amy Parent. Bill Hornsby was elected bourse chairman for the 1987 show and it was announced that 17 tables had already been reserved.

New member is Cecil Compton. - **Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT XIII -

Raymond E. Whyborn
Governor

Fourteen adults and one junior attended the **Red River Coin Club** meeting in Iowa Park when plans were discussed for National Coin Week. The club members placed exhibits in banks and lending institutions. Participating were Gerald Brown, Emmett "Robbie" Robinson, Nancy Lemmond and Logan Essex. Brown is chairman.

A committee chaired by Essex and consisting of Nancy and Morris Lemmond was appointed to meet with Crossroads Mall management to determine if needs could be met for future shows instead of Wichita Falls Activity Center. Robinson conducted a 42-lot auction. - **Raymond E. Whyborn, Gov. Dist. 13.**

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The newly organized **Seymour Coin Club** held its inaugural meeting and club officers were introduced. Thirteen attended.

Raymond E. Whyborn is president; Gene Wheeler, vice president; and Mary Jane Whyborn, secretary.

The meeting was devoted to outlining goals and objectives, which are: meet the demands and needs of the local collectors, nurture the hobby, encourage the youth, educate, expand and develop our members, assist in making wise investments and protection from unethical individuals and practices through education.

Meetings are held in the Blue Flame Room of Lone Star Gas Co., 222 N. Washington on the 4th Tuesday. - **Raymond E. Whyborn, Gov. Dist. 13.**

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It was announced at the **Greenbelt Coin Club** meeting that March 6 was a work day at the Wilbarger County Museum in Vernon where members maintain a numismatic display case assembled by individuals. The work session enables members to add additional material or re-arrange.

Gene Wheeler of Seymour was a guest speaker and provided insight into 1986 coin buying habits in north Texas. He discussed the amount of disposable income still available for coins and precious metals even though the oil business is in turmoil and farm income is down.

Bill Howard auctioned 48 lots of U.S. coins and other items. The club meets at Olney Savings Community Room on the 1st Monday. - **Raymond E. Whyborn, Gov. Dist. 13.**

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A group of 16 attended the **Wichita Falls Coin & Stamp Club** meeting at Texas Federal Savings & Loan Assn. meeting room.

Logan Essex gave a talk on First Day Covers (FDC). He had the first air mail letter sent August 1, 1936 from Wichita Falls. The cover was ornate with an aerial view of Wichita Falls in 1930. It contained an illustrated data sheet outlining the features of the city in that day and

age. It was referred to as "New City on the Air Mail Map." The 5¢ stamp showed a winged globe. Essex also showed a FDC from Fredricksburg sent on May 8, 1936 during the Texas Centennial commemorating the town's 90th anniversary.

The meeting closed with an auction conducted by Connolly O'Brian. - **Raymond E. Whyborn, Gov. Dist. 13.**

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DISTRICT XIV —

Ada Lee Chisum
Governor

Banks, libraries and museums in the Rio Grande Valley are included in the National Coin Week celebration planned by members of **Hidalgo Coin Club.**

The valley cities are Pharr, Edinburg, San Juan, Weslaco and McAllen. Some of the members who plan to place exhibits are Ada Lee Chisum, Helen Snider and Norma Mather. - **Ada Lee Chisum, Gov. Dist. 14.**

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DISTRICT XV —

Dewey L. Scott
Governor

The weekend of June 28-29 has been set aside by members of **Greater Orange Coin Club** for its annual coin show at Knights of Columbus Hall on IH-10, between Fisherman's Reef and King's Inn. In charge of bourse are Dewey Scott and Jerry Williams, Box 1871, Orange 77630.

Ed White, club president, presented a program on "Morgan Dollars" at the regular meeting where a discussion also took place on how to create more interest in the club and collecting. Sid King was in charge of the auction. - **Becky Scott, Sec.**

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"Twentieth Century Type Sets" was the subject discussed by Sid King at the **Beaumont Coin Club** meeting. He told how educational it was to put together a type set and informed members about the coins that make up a short set and a regular set. He encouraged those interested in assembling a set to use the highest grade coins possible to increase the value.

It was voted to establish an annual award honoring a member for outstanding service and will be known at the C.L. Babcock award. The late Mr. Babcock served as club president from 1968 to 1970. - **Kaye Brown, Sec.**

COMMEMORATIVE POST CARD

A special post card will be available at the 28th annual Texas Numismatic Association convention scheduled for May 23, 24 and 25. The convention is hosted this year by the Fort Worth Coin Club in Tarrant County Convention Center, Fort Worth. Free post cards, bearing a reprint of a Republic of Texas Note on one side and appropriate space for address and postage on other side, will be available at the show. The U.S. Post Office will have a station appropriately named Sesquicentennial Station and they have developed a special cancellation. Individuals will be able to purchase appropriate postage from the post office station and have their post cards cancelled in the Convention Center.

TEXANA TOPIC FOR SPEAKERS

Clifford Mishler of Iola, Wisc. and Robert E. Medlar of San Antonio will share the speaker's podium at the educational forum during the Texas Numismatic Association 28th convention set for May 23, 24, 25 in Fort Worth's Tarrant County Convention Center.

Both speakers will discuss Texana - coins, currency and related items - in keeping with the Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial theme.

Don't miss this convention feature to be held Saturday, May 24, at 2 p.m in Room 262, Convention Center.

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ienced collector may not notice the problems on the coin due to that toning.

Another area for the beginner to stay away from is the silver and gold commemorative coins of the U.S. There are numerous counterfeits out there, and only an expert in this area can tell the difference. If you must purchase these coins get them authenticated by a grading service like ANACS.

To supply yourself with more knowledge to deal effectively and safely with dealers you need to read books. This month I recommend the following books:

Penny Whimsey by William H. Sheldon

Common Sense Coin Investment by Q David Bowers

Coins, Questions and Answers by Clifford Mishler

TEXAS SCRAPBOOK

Through the years it has been reported that Pancho Villa - famed Mexican bandit - had buried one and a half million dollars (Mexican, American?) in Texas. Many have sought the whereabouts of that buried treasure. Villa's widow spoke up in 1957, said that her husband had never buried any treasure in Mexico or Texas. However, she did not admit that he did not stash away something in New Mexico or Arizona. So, did he spend it, give it away or bury it??

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ROBERTS

Margaret C. Roberts, 77, passed away January 19 after a long illness. She was the wife of C.H. Roberts and longtime resident of Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Roberts was born in Rio de Janeiro and was a former resident of Corsicana. She was a piano instructor for over 40 years and died just hours before the results of Corpus Christi Young Artists Competition, carrying an award in her name, were announced.

Services were held January 21 at the First Baptist Church of Corpus Christi. Survivors include the husband; a son; a daughter; sister; brother; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

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TEXAS SCRAPBOOK

Although the history books say that the flags of six different sovereign states have flown over Texas, the fact is that there have been seven. The six flags usually associated with the history of the Lone Star State are those of Spain, France, Mexico, Texas, The Confederacy and the USA. But there is also a seventh flag that usually is overlooked by the historians.

It was the green, red and white flag which once flew over Laredo when the border community was the capital of the short-lived Republic of the Rio Grande.

A demolition crew tearing down Armadillo World headquarters in Austin uncovered a $20 gold certificate along with other articles hidden in the old music hall. The building was being torn down to make room for a new luxury hotel. One envelope found in the wreckage contained $250 in cash and had "rent money" written on the outside. The gold certificate was found inside an old magazine.

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Builders Find Relics

Workers building a brick kiln in Peking, China unearthed 1½ tons of ancient bronze coins dating back as far as the Western Han dynasty in the second century B.C.

The coins were discovered in Mengjin County, in the central China province of Henan.

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With inflation and devaluation at historic levels, Peruvians are using a new currency that has three less zeroes than the old monetary unit, the sol. The heavily-devalued sol, which means "sun" in Spanish, is being replaced by the Inti, which means "sun" in the ancient Incan language of Quechua. Approximately 9 million Inti coins, fresh from the mint, began circulating in May.

Inti bills printed in Brazel will come out in January. One Inti is worth 1,000 soles, currently about 10 U.S. cents. The sol will remain in circulation for another two years while Peruvians get used to the new money. Spokesman Pedro Menedez said "The idea is to eliminate so many zeroes," in explaining why the new currency is being issued.

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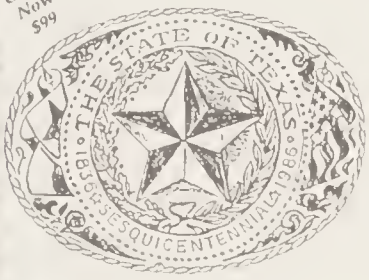

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